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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor : Akio OHBA
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Title **IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD, AND
DISTRIBUTION MEDIUM**
Examiner : --
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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to any Office Action on the merits, please amend the subject application as follows: